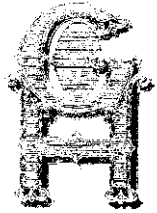
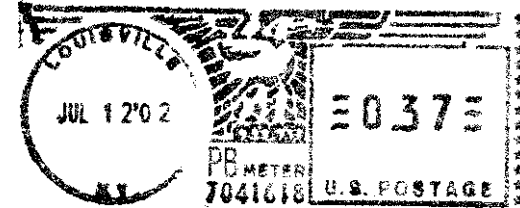


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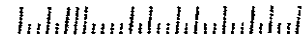
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July 12, 2002

re: WC Docket No.02-150

Dear Chairman Powell:


As Manager of the Galt House Hotel, a 1300 room property in Louisville, I am seeking your support in approving WC Docket No.02-150 BellSouth's petition to offer long distance services in Kentucky and four other states.

BellSouth, in my view, needs to be a participant in Kentucky long distance business. Our Hotel, at the present time, cannot consider BellSouth as a long distance provider. The FCC approval of WC Docket No.02-150 would allow me to have a wider choice for both my Hotel and home long distance services.

The direct result of competition, in my view, is more options and the ability for prices to be lowered. This would be very favorable to my business as it would result in a direct bottom-line increase from long distance revenues.

I ask you to vigorously support WC Docket No.02-150 and allow BellSouth to become active in the Kentucky market as a long distance provider. I am available to answer any inquiries you have with regard to this letter, and I thank you for taking the time to read my comments.

Best Personal Regards,


Thomas T. O'Hearn, CHA
Manager

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